on the basis of work output of 1900 man hour per person per annum.

Considering the nature and requirement of work in the Secretariat, a separate scale of stenographic assistance has been laid down for the Ministries/Departments of the Government participating in the Central Secretariat Stenographer Service. In this service the cadre of stenographers has been restructured in the ratio of 40 : 40 : 20 in the following grades :

Grade 'D' (Rs. 1200—2040)	40%
Grade 'C' (Rs. 1640—2900)	40%
Grade 'A' & 'B' (Merged) (Rs. 2000—3500)	20%

Stenographers are attached to offcers of various levels keeping in view the seniority/level of stenographers. The officers of the level of Secretary/Special Secretary/Equivalent are entitled to Principal Private Secretary in the scale Rs. 3000-4500.

Proper Utilisation of Funds under J.R.Y.

4998. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the need to ensure proper utilisation of funds released under J.R.Y.;

(b) whether it is a fact that the J.R.Y. works are being undertaken in a totally different system than outlined;

(c) the reaction of Government to diverse reports on the need to re-structure implementation of Jawahar Rojgar Yojana: and

(d) the status of this programme in Andhra Pradesh ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) On the basis of the reports received from various quarters regarding the implementation of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) and also on the basis of experience gained during the implementation of JRY, a certain changes have been made during the year 1993-94 with regard to the utilisation of funds and effective functioning of JRY. These are given in Statement. (*See* below)

(d) JRY is being implemented in Andhra Pradesh as per the guidelines now prescribed by the Government of India. During the year 1993-94 upto the end of Feb., 1994 a sum of Rs. 17980.72 lakhs was spent under JRY in Andhra Pradesh, generating 574.23 lakh mandays.

Statement

The following major changes have been made with regards to the utilisation of funds and effective functioning of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY), with effect from 1993-94 :—

(i) Seventy five percent of the funds allocated under JRY in a year, subject to a minimum of Rs. 2546 crores, which was the revised Budget allocation for JRY for the year 1992-93, will be utilised for the implementation of JRY throughout the country broadly on the guidelines now prescribed.

(ii) The funds under JRY will be continued to be allocated to the States/UTs on the basis of proportion of rural poor in the State/UT to the total rural poor in the country from the latest available poverty estimates based on the results of latest National Sample Survey Organisation's survey in this regard. From the State to the district, the allocation of funds would, however, be made on the index of backwardness formulated on the basis of equal weightage to the proportion of SC/ST population in a district to the total SC/ST population in the

State and in verse of per capita production of agricultural workers.

(iii) The sub-schemes of JRY viz; Million Wells Scheme (MWS), Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) would continue. However, earmarking of funds for MWS will be increased from existing 20% to 30% and its coverage extends to non-SC/ST poor small and marginal farmers subject to the condition that, benefits in financial terms to the non-SC/STs do not exceed 10% of the total allocation under JRY. Similarly, earmarking of funds at the national level for construction of houses under IAY will be increased from 6% to 10% and its coverage will be extended to non-SC/ST poor people subject to the condition that financial assistance provided to non-SC/ST poor people (excluding freed bonded labourers) does not exceed 4% of the total allocation.

(iv) Twenty per cent of the funds under JRY subject to a minimum of Rs. 700 crores will be used to implement an intensified JRY in 120 backward districts in different States of the country where there is concentration of unemployment and underemployment. For this purpose, funds will be placed at the disposal of the concerned District Rural Development Agency (DRDAs)/Zila Parishads (ZPs) who may identify the pockets of unemployment and under-employment within the districts for implementing intensified JRY in these pockets.

(v) 5% of the JRY funds subject to a maximum of Rs. 75 crores will be earmarked for taking up special and innovative projects such as those aimed at prevention of migration of labour, enhancing women's employment, special programmes through voluntary organisations aimed at drought proofings as well as watershed development/wastelands development resulting in sustaind employment.

(vi) Expenditure on wage and non-wage component have been kept at the existing 60 : 40 ratio but the wages paid to the skilled labourers are allowed to be included under the wage component subject to the limit of 10% of the total wage.

Construction of Rural Godowns

4999. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the present stage of the proposal to construct godowns in rural areas for storing agricultural commodities;

(b) whether the World Bank has given loan for such proposal;

(c) how many such godowns were constructed and in which States; and

(d) how many such godowns were constructed in Maharashtra and in which districts ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL) : (a) The Scheme for setting up of rural godowns being administered by the Ministry of Rural Development has since been transferred to the State Governments as per decision of the National Development Council. However, the National Co-operative Development Corporation (NCDC), under the administrative control of the Ministry of Agriculture is providing loans to co-operative sector for construction of godowns in rural areas for storing agricultural commodities.

(b) The NCDC had obtained loan from the World Bank for construction of godowns in cooperative sector under the Internationally aided storage project, which was completed on 30th June, 1992.